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Aebersold et al.

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the references, copies enclosed, which may qualify as prior art. For the Examiner's convenience, the references are listed on the attached patent and Trademark Office Form PTO-1449.

We would also like the Examiner to be aware of co-pending U.S. patent applications 09/880,713, filed 06/12/2001, for "SELECTIVE LABELING AND ISOLATION OF PHOSPHOPEPTIDES AND APPLICATIONS TO PROTEOME ANALYSIS" and 09/528,603, filed 03/20/2000, for "ISOTOPE DISTRIBUTION ENCODED TAGS FOR PROTEIN IDENTIFICATION". Copies of these applications, as-filed, are included for the Examiner's convenience. In addition, copies of PCT publications WO 01/96869 and WO 00/11208, corresponding to the foreign filing of these U.S. applications are included and listed on form PTO 1449.

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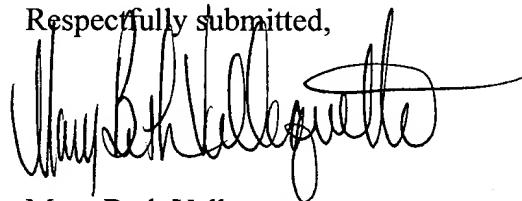
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References listed in the PTO Form 1449 submitted herewith which do not specify the month of publication have a year of publication sufficiently earlier than the effective US filing date and any foreign priority date so that the particular month of publication is not in issue.

It is believed that this submission requires the payment of \$180.00; a check in that amount is enclosed. If this amount is incorrect, however, please charge any requisite fees to Deposit Account No. 07-1969.

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